

# HIGH DESERT MUSEUM

WILDLIFE *and* LIVING HISTORY

## Teen Volunteer Application Form

The High Desert Museum Teen Volunteer Program is a high quality, service oriented program designed for teens with a desire to share the message of the High Desert Museum through educational activities and service for guests of the Museum.

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**Full Name** \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip

Home Phone Cell Phone Email

Gender Age Birth Date

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**Parent/ Guardian** \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip

Home Phone Cell Phone Email

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The High Desert Museum Teen Volunteer Program requires teens to participate in a weeklong Customer Service and Interpretation training program. Once teens pass the knowledge and presentation skills test of the Orientation, they may move on and interview for whatever content area they choose. Teens must satisfy the hourly requirements and knowledge skills test of each content area of interest in order to participate. Teens are responsible for their own transportation. Behavioral and appearance standards of the highest quality as set forth in the Teen Volunteer Handbook will be expected of all participating teens.

I have read and completed this application and give my approval and support for my child \_\_\_\_\_ to participate as a Teen Volunteer at the High Desert Museum. I give permission for the Museum to use photographs of the above named Teen volunteer for High Desert Museum publicity or program promotion.

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Parent and/or Guardian(s) Signature Date

## High Desert Museum Teen Volunteer Essay

*Please answer the following questions on a separate piece of paper:*

1. Why are you interested in volunteering at the High Desert Museum?
2. What knowledge or skills do you have that make you a good candidate for a volunteer position at the High Desert Museum? What interests do you have outside of school?
3. Describe any previous volunteer experience you may have.

*On the same sheet please indicate what area(s) you are interested volunteering in and why. Most programs require a yearlong commitment, animal handling requires weekly hours.*

- **Interpretive Programs:** Spirit of the West, By Hands Through Memory, Mammals, Birds of Prey, Desertarium Reptiles and Invertebrates, Homestead Animal Interpretation, Education Station Carts
- **Living History:** First and/or Third person Interpretation
- **Wildlife Handling:** Desertarium Reptiles and Invertebrates, Birds of Prey, Homestead Animals
- **Guest Services:** Café, Store, Greeters
- **Communications :** Museum blogging, Survey Management and Marketing
- **School and Community Programs:** Discovery Classes, Backpack Explorers, Summer Camp

***Teens that are chosen to interview for the Teen Volunteer Program will be contacted via phone or email. Applications are due May 31, 2009.***

***Please mail or fax to:***

**Volunteer Coordinator  
High Desert Museum  
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